



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln of: Spaziani et al      Atty. Docket No.: POL 00.02  
Title: ELECTRO-MECHANICAL ACTUATOR  
Serial No.: 09/765,899 ✓      Art Unit: 3683  
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**AMENDMENT A**

This is in response the first Official Action in this case mailed August 23, 2002. A petition for a one-month extension of time, along with a check in payment of the fee therefor (\$110.00), is enclosed. The one-month extension of time extends the term for response from November 23, 2002 to December 23, 2002. Applicants believe that no other extension of time is required. However, Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee, or for any deficiency in the enclosed fee.

Please amend the claims as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows: